

**Clean Water Act 404(g) Rulemaking
Pre-proposal State Engagement Meeting
December 5, 2018
US EPA, Washington, DC
and via Webinar**

Note: this will be an in-person meeting with availability for state participation via webcast.

- 10:00** **Welcome, Purpose of Meeting,** *David Ross, Assistant Administrator for Office of Water*
- 10:15** **Overview, Agenda, and Introductions,** *Patrick Field, CBI, Facilitator*
- 10:30** **Overview of 404(g) rulemaking,** *John Goodin and Kathy Hurd, Acting Director, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds*
- 10:50** **Introduction to Themed Discussions – for input for proposed rule**
The discussions will be focused around four key topics.
- Definitions of Assumed and Retained Waters and Wetlands – *Kathy Hurd, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds, and Jacob Strickler, Conflict Prevention and Resolution Center*
 - Enforcement and Compliance, *Jeff Spier, Office of Enforcement and Compliance, Water Enforcement Division, and Simma Kumpchan, EPA Office of General Counsel, Water Law Office*
 - Partial Assumption, *Ruth Chemerys and Nick Warren, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds*
 - Calculating Economic Costs and Benefits of the Rule, *Dolores Wesson and Chris Laabs, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds*
- 11:30** **Brief Break**
- 11:40** **Break Out Input**
- The participants will break down into give groups. They will have 20 minutes each to comment on each of the 4 topics, moving in “round robin” fashion from one topic to another as a group.
 - The on-line participants will cover all topics via the Webinar with a facilitator during the same time
- 12:30** **Lunch**
- 1:15** **Continue Break out Groups**

- 2:00** **Report Outs**
- 3:00** **Other Issues, Questions and Comments**
- Participants will raise any additional issues, themes, and topics that were not covered in the focused discussions above through questions, comments, and answers with EPA.
- 3:45** **Next Steps**
- EPA to review key next steps, milestones and schedule by quarter for rule development – *John Goodin, Acting Director, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds*
- 4:00** **Adjourn**